

"Under the federal Constitution, the National Guard, or organized militia, is primarily a state force instead of a national one, and I do not believe that any effective national citizens' army can be created out of a force dominated by forty-eight separate sovereignties. For nearly fifteen years strenuous efforts have been made by the federal government as well as by the state authorities to increase the number of the guard, yet it has remained nearly stationary. The ratio

Among the administration's defenders at yesterday's sessions of the National Security League convention was Rear Admiral Colby M. Chester, U. S. N., retired, who reminded the league that under the Constitution the President alone is vested with authority to recommend to Congress naval and military improvements.

"If you don't like the way the President handles this problem," he said, "you have the recourse of turning him

Racial Differences a Bar.

"But there are racial differences. Not hatred—God knows we do not hate them—anybody whose color is different from ours—but there are racial differences and distinctions, which will always prevent these great powers from combining socially, and presenting to the world a mongrel race of people. I am not a racist, but I am a realist. I am not about that. A few years ago, under the distinguished President of the United States, we had the humiliating spectacle of the Japanese Government of the United States begging California to admit the Japanese children to the schools of the Pacific Coast. I am not about the fact that boys eighteen or twenty years of age were asked to be admitted into the schools with the girls, children eight or ten years of age."

The order was based on the mandate of the appellate court which recently awarded a verdict for \$30,000 damages rendered in favor of the widow by a jury last spring. No date has been set for the trial.

Attorney Charles Poe represents the widow. Attorneys Frank J. Hogan, D. W. Hilde and J. W. Freebey appeared for the defendant.

To Modify Juvenile Conviction.

Chairman Johnson of the House District committee today introduced a bill to prevent a conviction in the Juvenile Court from disqualifying any child from jury duty or from holding public office. The measure was referred to the district committee.

by cable to surrender, if Bulgaria insists upon it, the British vice consul there who took refuge in his quarters when Bulgaria ordered the arrest of enemy consular officers in retaliation for the seizure of the consuls at Saloniki.

British Museum May Close.

LONDON, January 22.—The London morning newspapers today forecast the early closing of the British Museum, mostly as a measure of economy. The National Portrait Gallery already is closed and the Wallace Art Collection Museum will be shut up the first of February. Only a part of the national library is open to the public. The loss of the important works of art having been removed on account of the danger

side the car leaning over the door. Both had been dead some hours. They were lying on their backs, their heads after a drive Noll ran the car into the garage. The authorities say they were overcome by the fumes of the gasoline and asphyxiated.

To Hold 1918 Biennial Meeting Here

The Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union has selected Washington for its 1918 biennial meeting, according to information received by Chairman Chris J. Gockeler of the joint conventions committee. The convention usually lasts about two weeks and the city has about 600 delegates in attendance. Washington was selected as the result of an invitation by the city of about 200 prominent people by the delegates from this city to a recent meeting of the union in

Home. When he returned to his desk this morning he had disappeared, and the conclusion was that he had been taken by one of the visitors."

Consul Jones made good the loss, and his claim is now up to Congress. Dr. Jones now is consul at Lyon, France.

Wants Kelley's Appeal Expedited.

The province of Manitoba, Canada, today through its attorneys filed a request with the Supreme Court of the United States for early disposition of the appeal of Thomas Kelley, millionaire contractor, arrested in Chicago for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government of charges of obtaining \$1,250,000 by false pretenses in the construction of the parliament building at Winnipeg. Kelley is now in the custody of the marshal of the Chicago federal courts in refusing on habeas corpus proceedings

CHICAGO, January 22.—A fire which it is estimated today did \$7,000 damage in a tailor shop on the fourteenth floor of the Majestic Theater building, burned for nearly an hour last night, and the audience in the Majestic Theater, which occupies the first floor, was ignorant of the flames above. No one in the theater knew of the fire until the performance was over.

Morgan Shuster Going to the Orient.
SAN FRANCISCO, January 22.—W. Morgan Shuster, former Philippine commissioner, is to sail from here today for the orient. He said he was on his way to the Philippines for a vacation, and he termed reports that he was going to the orient on a mission for

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